

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for the automation of availability-checking, reservation and  
5 allocation/assignment processes for localized products and/or services, under  
utilization of a supraregional communications link and on the basis of a user's  
requirements, including: a) the user selecting a provider's product or service; b)  
the provider assigning to a requested item an authorization code which is  
transmitted to the user and is stored in a memory module of the user; c) the  
10 provider reserving the item, storing the code, and forwarding a reservation and  
code information to a code verification system, under utilization of a local-area  
communications link; d) triggering a non-contact, proximity code verification  
when the user enters within a range of the code verification system; and e)  
granting an access to the user upon a positive code verification.

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